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A little of the "extra dry" in Barre  
Mum's the word.

Senator Borah is never happy unless attacking the administration, no matter whether the administration be Democratic or Republican.

A restriction of immigration to three per cent of each nationality represented in the census of 1910 will enable the melting-pot to catch up with its work perhaps.

Germany, says Hoover, is fast driving some American lines out of business. This is the same Germany which is virtually trying to take the poor debtor's oath on a valueless scrap of paper. Odd, isn't it?

An electric light concern in New Hampshire has been ordered by the public service commission of that state to reduce its rates quite materially, while the Boston Consolidated Gas Co. has voluntarily reduced its rate. Spread the light!

Despite all Utopian schemes and all plans for world betterment, there is quite general belief among the people of the United States that President Harding is right in the contention that the present is no time to discuss disarmament. It is more reasonable to get the present war settled before the allies begin to talk about reducing their armament, and the United States in this case can be appropriately included in the designation of allies. When Germany has paid up and shown a disposition to live right it will be time to talk about reduction of armaments.

Governor Hartness' advice to plant a tree, or trees, on Arbor day (May 6) is old but always worth heeding. Supposing one tree was planted for every man, woman and child in Vermont, that would make an excellent start and if continued year after year would make a large pile of money, taken in conjunction with the wholesale planting of trees which is being undertaken by more and more people of the state.

The state forestry department asserts that the reforestation movement reached unexpected proportions during the spring of 1921, giving cause for considerable encouragement to those who have realized that Vermont was rapidly being stripped of her trees.

The election of John W. Tinker of St. Johnsbury as lieutenant-colonel of the Vermont National Guard is recognition of long and meritorious service in behalf of the state's military organization. Lieutenant-Colonel Tinker is one of two men now connected with the Vermont National Guard who was in the organization at the time of the Spanish-American war, and in the intervening twenty-three years he has maintained his interest in the organization in one way or another, being a participant in two mobilizations for service since 1898. Lieutenant-Colonel Tinker's interest in the organization is proof that he will give devoted service to the Vermont National Guard in his new capacity.

## HOT END OF THE POKER RETURNED TO GERMANY.

The United States government, through Secretary Hughes' note, deftly returned to Germany the hot end of the poker, with a kindly expression of opinion that it was Germany's duty to take hold of that end. In other words, the United States refused to become the agency of any move on the part of the Berlin government to dodge the rightful payment of reparations to the allies. It was very evident that Germany was engaging in another move in the German school of diplomacy, the virtue of which is held to be in doubt by many nations; and Germany was striving to enlist the aid and co-operation of the United States just as if Germany had not been perpetrating all the horrors of war against the United States only a few years back. But the plan failed. The issue is clearly between Germany and the allies. The allies are demanding payment from Germany for damages done in the war; the United States is not a party to the negotiations except as a more or less interested spectator. It is left for the allies and Germany to come to an understanding and, failing in that, for the allies to take such means as may seem best to force a payment of reparations. The United States would still be a spectator in that move to force payment, but a more or less interested spectator because the sympathies of the United States are undoubtedly with the allies. Hence it was with perfect propriety that Secretary Hughes turned back the vague offer of Germany, refusing to submit it to the allies, while at the same time he made the courteous suggestion that Germany in the future confine her attentions to negotiations direct with the allies.



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## TOPSHAM

Mrs. Betsey Currier is somewhat improved at this writing.

Mrs. Nettie Dickey of Montpelier is spending a few days at her home here. F. C. Smith has purchased a new pair of heavy work horses and has been doing some farm work for C. E. Dickerman.

Mrs. Jessie McKay remains about the same.

Albert Downing was in Groton on business Saturday.

Lewis, Robert and Edward Hall and James McKay motored to Woodsville Saturday.

A son, weighing 12 pounds, was born to Mr. and Mrs. C. E. McLam on Sunday, May 1.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Long were in Groton Monday.

## WASHINGTON

Rev. C. A. Simmons will preach a sermon appropriate to Mothers' day in the Universalist church in Washington next Sunday. Let the church be well filled in honor of our mothers. Sunday school at noon.

## WILLIAMSTOWN

Mr. and Mrs. William P. Briggs were at the sanatorium in Randolph May 1 to see Mrs. Briggs' mother, Mrs. Lucy Whitney, and found her improving.

Herbert N. Farnham, in charge of the state road work in this town, is just now working the road from the foot of Quarry street to a point near the Lavinie house on that street, connected with a strip further up which was worked last year. George Frost, Charles Nixon and Wayne Farnham are his helpers, and the team is furnished by J. T. Jamieson and driven by Aldace Fogg.

The committee for securing a speaker for Memorial day have engaged Rev. Frank L. Goodspeed of Barre. It is expected that the address will be given in grange hall on the afternoon of Memorial day.

Mrs. H. N. Farnham, who was called to West Bolton by the illness of her mother, Mrs. Louisa York, stayed there for a few days until Mrs. York was able to return to this town with her, which was last week Thursday.

Miss Ida Hoy, who has been for some months past employed in St. Johnsbury, is at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Hoyt. Oliver Bacon of Newport, who is visiting relatives in this part of the state, has returned from a trip to Randolph and is in town for a few days. He is accompanied by his wife, who will be remembered by our older citizens as formerly Miss Phoebe Hibbard.

Mrs. Estelle S. Beckett and daughter, Miss Marion Beckett, arrived in town last night in their car, and will be here during the summer. They are accompanied by Mrs. Beckett's sister, Mrs. Wilhelmina Tuttle. Mrs. George C. Austin arrived an hour or two earlier, coming by rail to Barre, and thence by auto.

Those who have scarlet fever are all reported as doing well. One new case has appeared, Mrs. Walter B. Simons, who has been under quarantine and taking care of her son, Robert, now has the disease herself.

## BROOKFIELD

Deacon G. B. J. Hall is still very sick and confined to his bed. Elmer M. Amsden has bought a Ford car.

Members of the Masonic lodge and O. E. S. are rehearsing a drama, "Valley Farm," which they will present in the near future.

There were no church services last Sunday on account of the scarlet fever quarantine at the parsonage. William, the young son of Rev. J. S. Clark, is getting along finely.

It is expected Colonel Curtis S. Emery of Newport will deliver the Memorial day address.

Mrs. Henry H. Fullam recently spent several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. K. McIntyre, at East Brain-tree.

J. W. Untiedt of West Brookfield was here Friday on business.

Mrs. Chase Blake of Bethel is spending a few days at the home of G. B. Wilber.

Mr. and Mrs. George Marsh, who

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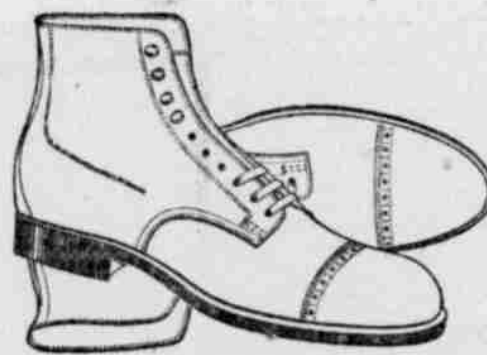
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